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<b>PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)</b>		Docket Number (Optional) <b>ARC 3043 R1</b>
	In re Application of <b>Joseph C. Trautman, et al.</b>	
	Application Number <b>09/976,798</b>	Filed <b>October 12, 2001</b>
	For <b>APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR PIERCING SKIN WITH MICROPROTRUSIONS</b>	
	Group Art Unit	Examiner

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

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☐ The Commissioner has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.

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